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Thank you for buying this product which will respond to your storage needs.
Read carefully this manual and keep it in safe place before using this product.
This docking station uses the latest technology USB v3.0 which is up to 10 times faster than USB v2.0.
You will be able to install 2.5"/3.5" SATA hard disk in 1.5/3/6 Gb/s to backup your precious data.
Moreover it has eSATA plug. It supports also USB v1.1 and USB v2.0 modes.

Package contents

- 1 docking station
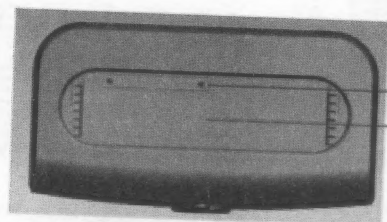- 1 user's manual
- 1x12V power supply unit

Technical specifications

- Simple to install and to use, easy ejection of the hard disk
- Supports USB v3.0, SATA 1.5/3/6 Gb/s
- Supports eSATA, USB v2.0, USB v1.1
- Compliant with 2.5"/3.5" SATA 1.5/3/6 Gb/s hard disks from 10 Go to 3 To, even more
- Compatible with Hot plug: allows unplugging the device without rebooting your computer
- OTB function with Windows system via backup button
- Data transfer USB v3.0 up to 5 Gb/s, USB v2.0 up to 480 Mb/s
- Data transfer eSATA up to 3 Gb/s

Minimum system required

PC computer or notebook with USB v3.0 port and eSATA plug
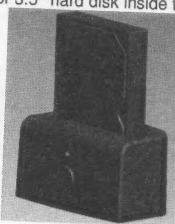Windows XP/VISTA/7 in 32/64 bits, MAC OS 10 or superior

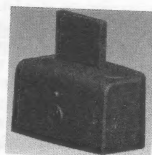## Hardware installation

2.5" HDD

3.5" HDD

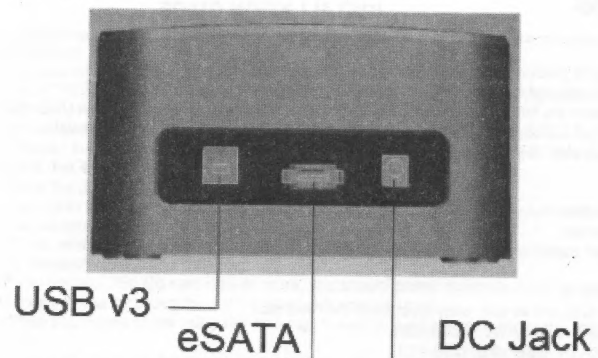Insert the 2.5" or 3.5" hard disk inside the docking station by matching SATA connectors.
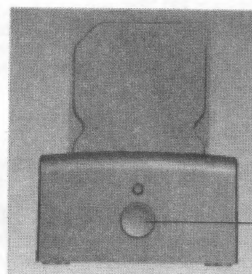

3.5" HDD   2.5" HDD

Connect the docking station to your computer USB v3.0 port. Connect the power supply to the mains and to the docking station.

USB v3 — eSATA | DC Jack

Press on POWER button. A LED POWER will light and remains blue during the docking utilization. Boot up your computer.

Power & Access LED

Hard disk ejection
To remove the hard disk unit, wait a while that the hard disk cools down. Then pull out the hard disk. Take care of the hard disk unit. Do not let it drop.

Caution: do not shake the hard disk once it has been inserted in the docking station in order to avoid to damage the hard disk unit. When you insert the hard disk in the docking station, check that SATA connectors match with each other, otherwise the hard disk will not been recognized.

eSATA connection
You can not use simultaneously eSATA port and USB port.
If you use eSATA interface, you may have to reboot your system in order that the hard disk is recognized by the system. Your SATA motherboard chipset has to be compliant with the hot plugging function to detect the hard disk without rebooting. By example the **SILICON IMAGE SIL 3132** chipset is hot plugging. Consult the handbook of your motherboard to know if it is hot plugging.
You will need eSATA cable to connect the docking station to your computer eSATA port. If your computer has no eSATA port, you can add bracket eSATA to SATA. If your notebook has no eSATA port, you can add EXPRESS CARD eSATA port.

Windows driver installation

The system will automatically detect and install the driver of the docking station. It is driverless.
An icon will appear below the task bar. You can start to use the docking station

MAC OS driver installation

The system will automatically detect and install the driver if you have MAC OS 10 or above.

Safe removal of the docking station

To remove safely the docking station, click on the green arrow below the left taskbar.

Click on **Safely Remove Hardware**.
If you cannot manage to safely remove, close **My computer**, all windows and all applications.
Then click again on **Safely remove Hardware.**
A window will validate under WINDOWS the possibility to safely disconnect the docking station.
Click **OK**.
You can unplug the USB cable from the computer and shut down the docking station before removing.
If you pull out the docking station or unplug its power adapter cable, you can have some trouble
through a warning message which can lead to a computer crash and the loss of your precious data.
If you disconnect brutally the docking station, you might have a computer crash and lose your data.
Moreover, the electronic parts of the docking station may be subjected to overload peaks which can
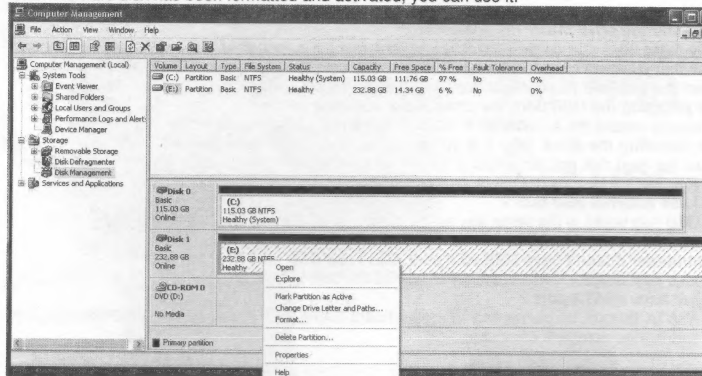lower its life span. Do not forget to remove the power supply unit.

Hard disk initialization

-For a brand new hard disk, you should proceed as follow:
If you install un-partitioned or un-formatted new drive, it does not automatically appear in "**My
Computer**" the first time. Please follow these steps: right click on "**My computer**", choose "**Manage**"
then choose "**Disk management**" in "**Storage**". The operating interface will show on the computer,
Subarea **Format** following the operating interface.
Go to "**My Computer**", locate the removable disk, right click on it, and select "**Format**" from the drop-
down list, follow the instructions to complete the formatting process.
Once the hard disk has been formatted and activated, you can use it.

By this method to format your drive it will result in a single partition in largest drive capacity, which is
also highly recommended.
-For a hard disk which had already been formatted:
Go to "**My computer**", you should see the removable disk. Warning: backup your data before
formatting the hard disk. Right click and choose "**Format**", follow the instructions on screen.
After the reboot, there will be a new letter assigned to the hard disk.

Utilization

-You can not use simultaneously eSATA port and USB port.
-The POWER Led lights blue when the docking station is functioning. Reader/Writer Led is flashing in red whenever there is data transfer.
-Do not touch the edge of the power supply connector cable with your computer case
-Connect the docking station directly to your motherboard USB port. If you connect to front USB port, check that it supplies enough power.
-Place the docking station on stable ground.
-If you plan to not use the docking station for a long time, pull out the power supply unit.
-It is not recommended to use the docking station for 24/24 hours.
-Do not power off the docking station and do not pull off the hard disk if you are transferring data or if the Reader/Writer LED is blinking.
-If you install a 750 Go hard disk or more, you should power down the docking station after hours of continuous use because this kind of hard disk tends to heat.
-When you intend to not using the docking station for a long time, remove the power supply from the mains
-Manipulate carefully the docking station. If you drop it, the hard disk and the external enclosure might be defective.
-This docking station is not compliant with Windows 95/NT4/98SE/ME because it has no driver for these operating systems.
-If you use USB v2.0 or USB v1.1, the data transfer will be lower than with USB v3.0 port.
-If you connect in eSATA, you may have to reboot the system to enable the management of the docking station and its hard disk if your motherboard SATA chipset is not hot plugging.
-You can insert 2.5'' or 3.5 '' hard disk. It can support 1 To 2.5'' hard disk unit and 3 To 3.5'' hard disk unit and even more.

FAQs

Q: I can't find the drive under my computer.
A: Please make sure your drive is correctly installed, and if it is formatted
    Check that you have connected the USB cable. Unplug and plug again the external enclosure.
    Reboot the system if you connect in eSATA mode. Pull out and pull back the hard disk unit.
Q: After plugging the USB port, the drive is not spinning at all.
A: This usually means the AC adapter is not connected yet, so there is no power
Q: After installing the drive. Why it is still recognized as "Unknown device"
A: Pull out the hard disk and reconnect it. Disconnect the docking station and connect it again. Check that your HDD is formatted. Otherwise check if your HDD is not defective.
Q: Can I use external USB hub ?
A: Yes, USB hub works in the same way as the computer USB ports. Check that it is powerful to powered the hard disk or adds external power supply to the hub
Q: My computer doesn't have USB v3.0 port, Can I use USB v3.0 host adaptor ?
A: USB v3.0 host adapter works in the same way as the built-in USB ports.
Q: I do not have eSATA port ?
A: Use eSATA bracket by connecting to motherboard SATA port or you can add EXPRESS CARD eSATA port to your notebook computer.

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You can download declaration of conformity on the website : http://www.connectland.eu